

RED LETTER DAY FOR HAMMOND TODAY

71st GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMES TO AN END

LAST DAY OF SESSION A BUSY ONE

Senate Passes 28 House Bills
and House Passes 26 Senate Bills on Last Day.

WORK ACCOMPLISHED BY THE LEGISLATURE

When the seventy-first session of the Indiana General Assembly adjourned sine die last night it had passed the following Republican platform measures:

- A law for a separate department of insurance.
- A law for a separate department of banking, including the building and loan associations.
- A law abolishing the state statistician's office.
- A law providing for a conservation commission, to include the state geologist, forester, fish and game commissioner and entomologist.
- A tax reform law.
- Resolutions for constitutional amendments carrying out the platform promises.
- Republican platform measures defeated were:
- A bill to make the attorney general appointive.
- A bill for the appointment of a child welfare commission.
- Measures of general importance adopted were:
- A new highway commission law.
- A county highway commission law.
- A "blue sky" law for state supervision of sale of securities.
- A law repealing the act for the compulsory teaching of German, prohibiting the use of German in all schools and all subjects in all schools must be taught in English only.
- A law extending to women the right to vote for presidential electors.
- A voters' registration law.

The Legislature defeated a bill legalizing Sunday motion pictures and an Anti-Saloon League bill introduced by Representative Wright to strengthen the prohibition law.

By RAY O. WIKER
(L. N. S. Staff Correspondent.)
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 11.—One of the most interesting sessions of the Indiana state legislature ever held closed yesterday, and this, the seventy-first session of the assembly, will go down in the history of the state and the United States, by the action of the legislators in ratifying the federal prohibition amendment and passage of an act prohibiting the teaching of the German language in the elementary schools of the state of Indiana.

Although by constitutional limitation the seventy-first general session of the Indiana state legislature expired at midnight, both houses were in session until nearly three o'clock this morning. The general and specific appropriation bills, both were reported to the senate and house from conference committees after midnight.

Over a hundred bills were before Gov. J. P. Goodrich today, awaiting his signature. Up to last night the governor had signed 75 bills, while 124 more were on his desk. More were sent to the governor's office during the night. The governor has until midnight Saturday to act on the bills passed by the legislature and sent to him.

Up to, and including Saturday, Governor James P. Goodrich had signed 171 bills, six senate joint resolutions, one senate concurrent resolution and twenty-three house bills, which were passed by the legislature and sent to him for signature. He allowed two house bills to become laws without his signature and vetoed one house bill. The last bill introduced in the house was bill No. 544 and the last introduced in the senate was bill No. 34.

The first bill introduced in the senate, known as senate bill No. 1, was introduced by Senator Aldridge and provided for the repeal of compulsory teaching of the German language in the state schools. This bill received rough shelling when the anti-German bill known as the McCray bill was passed by the senate February 17 and by the house on February 25.

The first bill was introduced in the house by Representative Swain, and provided for the appropriation of \$100,000 to defray the expenses of the general assembly.

The first senate joint resolution introduced urged the United States senate to pass the federal amendment providing for woman suffrage and the second was for ratification of the federal prohibition amendment. Both were passed by both the senate and house.

The only bill vetoed by Governor Goodrich was that extending the provisions of police pension funds in cities of the second class to cities of the third and fourth classes.

The two bills he allowed to become law without his signature were the McCray bill giving a wife the same surety rights as her husband and repealing the act of 1881 concerning rights of husband and wife and the Noll bill amending the law affecting police-men's pension funds in cities of the

CLEMENTS MAKES HIS APPOINTMENTS

North Township Assessor
Gives Out List of His
New Deputies.

James Clements, township assessor, who has made his office in East Chicago, and has started work on his assessing, with a large force of deputies.



JAMES CLEMENTS.

ties has made the following selection:
Hammond.
William Herkner, James M. Lauter-
man, Frank L. Lowery, A. O. Merrill,
F. L. Wyman, W. J. Clemmer, Harry
Caplan, Isaac Pollard, Peter Well, G.
W. Grisdale.

East Chicago.
E. DeBrine, J. W. Winkinski, Leo
Bonaventura, Ed Dellachessa, M. J.
Kralcowski, Albert Lesnak, Leo Levin,
Edwin Blazewicz, Nick J. Poppa,
Peter Cozza, B. W. J. Spencer, E. U.
Kern.

DID YOU HEAR THAT?

A HEAVY vote was cast in the West Hammond primaries today where between 1,200 and 1,500 men and women went to the polls. The primaries were without disorder.

JUDGE WARSON, special judge in the case to settle the affairs of the East Side Trust & Sav. Bank was in Hammond yesterday. The case will be tried in Room 1, April 25.

CAPT. RAYMOND METTE, Jacob Brunel and Macey Roberts are Hammond boys home from France this week.

JUDGE HARDY today granted full citizenship to fifteen applicants, rejecting four because of incompetent witnesses. No Germans or Austrians applied.

THE Orpheum Theatre has a pleasant bill of vaudeville this mid-week.

WIVES of Men at DeLuxe has the manager's approval. His decisions are eagerly awaited by a breathless public.

A SMALL fire attacked the residence of William Lacey last night while his daughter was entertaining a girls' club. The fire which was confined to the vicinity of the chimney on the roof was put out before the dept. got there.

CITY Atty. McMahon has taken an appeal from Judge Crumpacker to the Ind. supreme court in the suit of the city against Hessville.

THREE lady clerks served on the election board in the east ward in W. Hammond today. They were Mrs. Joe Mayer, Mrs. Frank Willis and Mrs. Gust. Rosenbaum. They did their work well.

JOHN, 18 year old son of Capt. John Burley with the 11th field art. in France, has enlisted in the army. He is a Hammond lad.

THE place to go tonight is the Auto Show.

MANY JOBS OPEN TO SOLDIERS

(By International News Service.)
WASHINGTON, March 11.—There are thousands of \$1000 a year jobs open to soldiers who possess a rudimentary education. It was announced at the postoffice department today. The men are wanted as carrier clerks, and there is an instant demand for them in New York, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia and other large cities as well as in the smaller communities. The men will be required to pass a civil service examination, but the examination is so easy that even a school boy can pass it. In the case of soldiers a lower rating is given by the civil service than is required of civilians.

8 MORE TOWNS OFF WATER WAGON

(By International News Service.)
BOSTON, March 11.—Returns today from elections yesterday show that eight more Massachusetts towns have "climbed off the water wagon." Waymouth and Hingham, with a record of more than a quarter of a century dry shifted to the wet column. During the elections this year, more than two score Massachusetts communities have gone from dry to wet.

100 FROM LAKE COUNTY TO PLEAD

Several Sensational Cases
to Be Tried This Week
in Federal Courts.

TIMES BUREAU.
AT STATE CAPITAL.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 11.—The arraignment begun in United States court today of more than 400 persons charged with violations of federal statutes by the federal grand jury, which reported 320 indictments to Judge Albert B. Anderson, February 17, is expected to take up the greater part of this week.

100 From Lake County.
More than 100 of the liquor charges involve persons whose homes are in Lake county. Fort Wayne was a close second, with seventy-eight defendants who came to Indianapolis on a special interurban car today. Terre Haute furnished the next largest contingent while numerous cases were to be called involving persons living at or near Evansville and South Bend.

White Slave Charges.
Two white slave cases, both growing out of the same incidents, are among the indictments. John Huber, of Hammond, is charged with transporting Ester Plunkett, age seventeen from Hammond to Chicago and various points in Michigan and Charles Taylor, a discharged soldier, and Esie McMorris, both of Hammond, are charged with inducing Ester Plunkett to come to Hammond from her home in Morris City, Ill.

Gary "Stiff" Case.
The charge most unusual in Indiana is the possession and operation of illicit stills in which John Dula, of Terre Haute and Lazo Warnesh, of Gary, are named as defendants. It is alleged that complete apparatus for the distilling of whiskey was found in their possession.

YOUNG THIEVES GET PENAL SENTENCES

E. Chicago Boys and John
Kolwacki Arrested by
Detectives.

John Kolwacki, 40 years old, was arrested by Special Agent Zielke of the Indiana Harbor Belt R. R. yesterday charged with receiving stolen goods. It was claimed that Kolwacki bought grain from three Hammond boys, which they had stolen from cars on the tracks of the Indiana Harbor Belt R. R. and had told the boys that he would buy all that they could get him.

East Chicago Boys.
The boys who were also arrested are Walter Clinecke of 5906 Reading ave., East Chicago; Joe Lepucke, of 5937 White Oak avenue, East Chicago, and Joseph Slurek of 5923 Northcote avenue, East Chicago.

All of the boys are 17 years old and were charged with petty larceny and at their trial yesterday afternoon in the Hammond city court they were each fined \$35 and given a jail sentence of ninety days in the penal farm.

Kolwacki was fined \$50 and given a jail sentence of ninety days in the penal farm by Judge Klotz.

Jack Dealer Accused.
Dave Leffman, a junk dealer, of 522 Garfield avenue, Hammond, was arrested this morning by Special Policemen Uppingshouse and Nawaraja of the Indiana Harbor Belt R. R. charged with receiving stolen goods.

Leffman was arrested in connection with the arrest of the boys tried yesterday and it is claimed that he also bought grain from them.

His trial will come up in the Hammond city court tomorrow morning before Judge Klotz.

BANDITS STIR UP DENVER

(By International News Service.)
DENVER, Colo., March 12.—After exchanging a dozen shots with a squad of police in the downtown district early today, two automobile bandits abandoned their stolen car, held the officers at bay and made good their escape. There were no casualties. The bandits are believed to be members of the gang that has operated in Denver suburbs for the past three weeks and whose burglaries, hold-ups and arson are estimated to have cost \$75,000.

1,000 KILLED IN BERLIN IN WEEK

(By International News Service.)
AMSTERDAM, March 11.—More than 1,000 persons have been killed and 2000 injured in the fighting the past week in Berlin, according to advices heaping here today. The scenes are reported as more terrible than those of the French revolution. The Reds dragged naked prisoners through the streets and then killed them with the hand grenades. Others were killed by having their throats cut. The battles raged in the suburbs of Berlin are said to be of the fiercest character. The damage in the vicinity of Alexanderplatz is estimated at 40,000,000 marks (approximately eight million dollars).

SETTLING THE BILL IS SOON TO COME

Turning Point of Peace Conference Has Arrived, German Delegates Called
March 20.

THEY LIVE AND DIE FAST

(By International News Service.)
LONDON, March 11.—Civil war and its attendant slaughter and night life goes hand in hand in Berlin, said a dispatch from that city today. More than 100 all-night dance halls are open and there are scores of gambling places and night dens open. Red lights glimmer amidst the flare of cannon. It costs \$25 a day to live in Berlin, but one can easily spend four times that much at night.

(By International News Service.)
LONDON, March 11.—(By British government wireless.)—The turning point of the peace conference has been reached, says the Paris correspondent of the Evening News. Not even when the Germans come will there be a weak and more important than the one just past. Preparatory work is nearly finished, and the preliminary peace covenant will be ready in a few days. Already the council of ten has agreed to commission their conclusions in the form of articles capable of insertion into the treaty and by the time President Wilson arrives in Paris the military and naval conditions will have been settled.

(By International News Service.)
LONDON, March 11.—(By British government wireless.)—The first sitting of the allied and German armistice commissioners to consider the transfer of German merchant ships and revictualing of Germany will probably be held at Brussels on Thursday. The chief difficulties so far encountered in consideration of this question at Paris arose over the method of payment. New proposals are expected to be made, however, to meet this problem.

It is understood that payments will come from three sources:

1. Products like coal and potash.
2. From credits which Germany has in neutral countries, but which have thus far been unavailable owing to the blockade.

3. From foreign securities held in Germany.

These three sources will yield about 100,000,000 pounds sterling (\$500,000,000) it is estimated. This sum is required to pay for the food that will be needed to tide Germany over until the next harvest.

As a result of the exchange of views, during the course of the former negotiations at Spa, the allied peace delegates have reason to believe that the new proposals will be acceptable, and that German ships will be available for the transportation of American soldiers back home.

Marshal Foch may not attend the next meeting of the plenipotentiaries, but all of the other allied delegates will be present.

FIRE SCARES HOTEL GUESTS

(By International News Service.)
CHICAGO, March 11.—Guests at the Morrison hotel, Clark and Madison sts., became alarmed early today when fire partially destroyed the old Velle hotel building adjoining in which the Morrison hotel employees were housed.

About 200 men and women employees of the Morrison hotel were driven from the building by flames which caused damage estimated at \$75,000. The smoke filled the halls of the hotel, but the flames were confined to the annex.

FRED BLOCKI, WELL-KNOWN HERE, DIES IN CHICAGO



F. W. BLOCKI.

Frederick W. Blocki, for twenty years prominent in Cook county democratic politics and former city treasurer, member of the board of review and commissioner of public works, well known in the Calumet region on both sides of the line, died yesterday of pneumonia, after two days' illness.

Overwork in the primary campaign is believed to have weakened him. He had managed the campaign of Thomas Carey for the mayoralty. He also felt keenly his own failure to be nominated for county treasurer.

Worked Mince in West.
Mr. Blocki was born in Chicago fifty years ago. He was educated as an engineer and did mining in Utah and Idaho for some years, but returned to Chicago and became active in politics. His six-year-old term on the board of review ended last fall.

He was married in 1899 to Miss Louise Wolterdorf, who, with their two children, survives. He was a member of the Chicago Athletic Club, Chicago Automobile, Iriquois, So. Shore County Club, Chicago Sharpshooters and other clubs.

Friends Pay Tribute.
Friends paid him tribute yesterday. W. A. McHie—"A good man gone. He was always to be depended upon and a true friend to his friends. He was all wool and a yard wide and I feel in his death a personal loss."

"He was always a manly man," said Lawrence E. McGann, former commissioner of public works.

"He had a whole-hearted sincerity that is given to but few men," said Charles Francis, the present commissioner.

"He represented the highest type of citizenship," said former Judge John E. Owens.

Macley Hynes' tribute was: "Chicago has lost a splendid citizen."

GOODRICH PRAISES ASSEMBLY'S WORK

Says That No Legislature
for 50 Years Has Sur-
passed It.

(By International News Service.)
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 11.—"The record of the general assembly, it is believed, will meet the approval of the people of this state in increasing degree as the results accomplished are carefully studied," Gov. James P. Goodrich declared in a statement issued today. "It is a record which, for the constructive character of its work, has not been equaled by any general assembly in the last half century," he added.

The governor said the state and county unit highway laws enacted by the legislature will insure the people of the state a comprehensive state system of hard surface roads connecting every county seat and town of any considerable size in the state.

The governor mentioned the anti-German law passed by Indiana, the first and up to this date, the only state in the union that has taken this step toward Americanization. All of the important bills enacted were dwelt upon in the statement.

THREE LAKE CO. CITIES RESPONDED

(By International News Service.)
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 11.—The Red Cross Nursing Survey made at the request of the Surgeon-General of the U. S. army has just been completed in the Lake Division. Comparison of figures shows that Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky, which make up the Lake Division, ranks third in the report returns. In the three states 12,485 nurses registered during the survey. The complete survey represents the efforts of 141 Lake Division chapters.

The following chapters in Indiana are among those who responded to the request to find out the number of available nurses in their territory—Blackford county, Bloomington; Boone county, Clay county, Gary; Grant Co., Hammond, Huntington county, Indiana Harbor, Jackson county, Jefferson county, Jeffersonville; Madison county, Rush county, St. Joseph county, Sullivan county, Wabash county, Wells county, Whiting and Lake county.

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AUTO SHOW UNDER WAY AND \$ DAY

Visitors from Near and Far
Crowd Streets This After-
noon; Ideal Weather.

Today was a big day in Hammond. Under a warm March sun crowds jammed the streets this afternoon, drawn downtown by the greatest Dollar Day the merchants have ever had and the first matinee of the automobile show.

The stores have seldom held such crowds and the shoppers were in real earnest, seeking the advertised bargains.

At the automobile show they divided their attention between the entertainment, admiration of the decorations and displays and the business of deciding what make of car to buy.

It was a Red Letter day in the business district and one that will be hard to beat in the future.

Big Crowds at Opener.
The automobile show opened last night auspiciously with an attendance of nearly a thousand people and early in the evening the first sale was made by Fred Dempsey, Mrs. F. S. Bietz being the purchaser. The car was a Milburn electric.

Mr. S. Hare, manager of Collisimo's Arrowhead Inn brought his grand opera troupe of entertainers from Burnham and their program was greatly appreciated.

The Arrowhead Inn singers were directed by Maestro Minutolo, and the group of voices comprised Miss A. Harbier, soprano; Mrs. D. Giacobelli, soprano; Miss Coletta Ryan, soprano; Mr. G. Franchini, tenor; Mr. G. Giacobelli, baritone and Mr. W. Piccolo. The numbers rendered were as follows:

"Sweethearts," from Maytime.
Sextette from Lucia.
Funclui-Funclui.
Dear Old Pal of Mine.
Quartette, from Rigoletto.
A Francesca-Neapolitan.

All Artists.
The appearance of the singers at the auto show was complimentary and due to the generosity and good will of Mr. Collisimo. It was arranged through the Messrs. George and Leo Knoerzer. This evening Mr. Collisimo will send a delegation of his ragtime singers. As he has a company of eighteen entertainers at his cafe, the show is assured good entertainment so long as Mr. Collisimo's generosity continues.

It can be said of the company who sang last night that they are all artists.

Young's Orchestra.
An orchestra led by Barney Young playing the latest musical successes will be heard throughout the show. Director Young and his son Ed are playingxy xylin, Fred Leverent, cornet; Jim Ward, saxophone; Pat Glicker, drums, and Miss Tilly Bishop, late of the orchestra with the "Hearts of the World," piano.

So much for the entertainment. Show a Wonder.
The show itself is a revelation and thorough metropolitian. The exhibits are not only attractive but very interesting and the assembly together with the lavish decorations, makes a very attractive picture.

The show can best be described as smart. The dealers are not only showing the 1919 models in autos but the spring fashions in men's clothes.

One of the stunts of the show is staged by Brown and Voorheis, who suspend an auto from the ceiling on inner tubes of Kelly-Springfield tires.

The most striking thing about the atmosphere at the show last night was the goodfellowship of the dealers. Instead of a friendly rivalry that might be expected, they all worked together with one object in view and that to make the visitor glad he was there. Dealers didn't seem to care particularly about making sales but more about making friends. They seemed more concerned whether you were having a good time than whether you wanted to buy an automobile, electric, motorcycle, tires or accessories.

If the reader is told in detail about each exhibit it will take some of the pleasure away from attending the show.

One thing the public is urged to remember. The admission fee of twenty-five cents goes to pay the Liberty Hall debt which is over a thousand dollars. Otherwise the show would be free. It was only on that consideration that the directors of Liberty Hall would rent it for the show and they are represented at the box office by Dr. Sharrer, H. A. Lamprell and M. M. Towle.

Chief of Police Austgen and Fire Chief Nill were on the job in person. Don't forget tonight—Collisimo's ragtime singers, accompanied by a Jazz band at the Auto Show.

MAJOR IS REDUCED.

(By International News Service.)
WASHINGTON, March 11.—Maj. Gen. William L. Kenly today was returned to the rank of colonel and relieved of duty as director of military aeronautics, to be succeeded by Brig. Gen. William Mitchell, who was chief of the air service with the American Expeditionary forces.

Col. Kenly will report to the chief of the U. S. army field artillery for duty.

PEACE TREATY DRAFT FINISHED

(By International News Service.)
LONDON, March 11.—The draft of the preliminary treaty of peace will be finished so that it can be considered by the supreme council as soon as President Wilson arrives in Paris, Premier Lloyd George and Foreign Secretary A. J. Balfour had informed their colleagues in London, the Evening News stated today. This newspaper understands that it is now certain that the preliminary treaty will be signed by the end of this month.

HUNTINGTON.—The Huntington Co. commissioners have set April 6 as the date for receiving bids on bridges and culverts to be constructed during the summer in Huntington county.